



PATENT APPLICATION

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In re application of

Docket No: Q67591

Francis CORET, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/004,839

Group Art Unit: 2854

Confirmation No.: 7789

Examiner: Jill E. Culler

Filed: December 7, 2001

For: LABEL DISPENSER FOR FRANKING MACHINE

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 23, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the 5th paragraph on page 3 with the following new paragraph:

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This dispenser comprises a delivery roller 10 on which is wound a continuous tape 12 of labels to be cut out (or even pre-cut out), at least two pairs 14, 16 of drive rollers for conveying this tape along a dispenser conveying path from this delivery roller towards a label inlet of the franking machine 50, and a cutting module 18 placed on this conveying path, advantageously between the two pairs of drive rollers, and intended, under the control of processing means 20 (advantageously a microprocessor computing module), to define a given length for the label to be cut out. The drive rollers which ensure unwinding of the label tape are actuated by a control motor 22 through kinematics 24 incorporating gears, pulleys and belts, likewise actuated under

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